

T. G. THURM ON BIRTHDAY SCORES "DISGUSTING HULA" AND ITS SPREAD

Veteran Historian, Seventy-five Years Old Yesterday, Pauses in Celebration Long Enough To Denounce "Religious Ceremony" Proposition

LITERARY MONUMENTS FOR THREE-QUARTER CENTURY

Completes Work On "Hawaiian Mythology" and Will See His Edited Edition of Fornander's Works Come Off Museum Press

In the midst of his life work recording the ancient culture of the Hawaiian race, Thomas G. Thurm, publisher, author and Hawaiian historian, yesterday celebrated his seventy-fifth birthday, still active in the task to which he has devoted his life. Several pleasant surprises awaited him yesterday, and he took pleasure in none more than in the remembrance he received by yesterday's mail from Bishop Dutton on Molokai and from Charles H. Ewart in Scotland.

Mr. Thurm has set up two literary monuments besides his seventy-fifth birthday, one of them in the completion of his "Hawaiian Mythology," which represents a large amount of labor and which is probably destined to become the last comprehensive and authoritative contribution to this section of ethnology to come off the popular press. The first part of this work is now in the hands of the publishers and he has the second part still at his Thurston Avenue headquarters for the printer. He has gathered many valuable materials for this work, but it is possible that the war will delay the publication of the work.

Editor For Fornander

There will also issue this week, it is believed, from the Bishop Museum press the second part of the first series of Fornander's works, in which Mr. Thurm is the editor. This edition, which has been in manuscript since the death of the author in 1887, is now being published in the original language with the translation, and Mr. Thurm's selection as the editor was a recognition of his ability of no small measure.

Miss Helen Alexander's tableaux at Lanikane Saturday evening and other recent and worthy attempts to rehabilitate forgotten Hawaiian lore yesterday were the basis of an interesting interview with Mr. Thurm, who has been working on the hula as a typical Hawaiian dance, its universal acceptance as such and its use with any degree of respect as a thing of the past.

"I did not see Miss Alexander's tableaux," stated Mr. Thurm, "but would imagine, if they were historically correct, as no doubt they were, that they would serve as a good example of what might be done with Hawaiian material in entertainments. This spread of the hula as a typical Hawaiian dance, its universal acceptance as such and its use with any degree of respect as a thing of the past."

Table on Statute Book

"I have memoranda taken some time ago which seem to indicate that there is a law against the hula as only a dance, but I am not sure. I am not sure I can learn it has not been repealed for a quarter of a century. Thus in the Advertiser of December 11, 1886, I found a notice of a police court case arising over the hula and in the Advertiser of November 7, 1879, found a reference to a condemnation of it by Prince Liliuokalani, the daughter of David. On a trip to Hilo in October of that year he was offered the services of several hula companies towards his entertainments but he refused them with the statement that nothing would please him better than to see the so-called dances eliminated, as nothing was more derogatory to the Hawaiian race."

Mr. Thurm yesterday recalled many things out of his intimate knowledge for Hawaiian customs which could be utilized attractively in entertainments where the Hawaiian note was desired and which could replace the hula. He referred to the entertainments given some time ago at the Young Hotel by a retired attorney of Buffalo in which it was demonstrated that whole amusement was possible in a revivification of ancient Hawaii. Mr. Parker the Buffalo man, at that time, with the assistance of Charles E. King reproduced many of the same dances that were utilized in Miss Alexander's tableaux, said Mr. Thurm.

How Error Arose

"I can blame, in many ways, for the wide-spread belief that the hula was a religious dance of the Hawaiians. The thesis of a recent book, 'The Unwritten History of Hawaii,' has attempted to prove it, but it is all wrong. The hula never was a religious dance of the Hawaiians, and never had any connection with the Hawaiian religion, beliefs in the general acceptance of the term."

Erroneous suppositions may have been gathered from the fact that there was in the old temple services which were known as the hula-hula. This was not in any sense a dance. It was a lengthy chant in approval of the gods. The Hawaiian word which describes these services means 'severe.' There was no thought or trace of amusement in them."

FOOD EXHIBIT IN PAN-PACIFIC PLANS

Club Hopes To Get Together All Kinds of Conserved Foods "Made in Hawaii"

With the cooperation of Manager Dean of the food commission, the Pan-Pacific Club is planning for an exhibit of conserved foods, to follow the artists' exhibition in the Pan-Pacific building on Bishop Square. Men and women of every nationality in Hawaii who have had any experience in canning, bottling, jarring or drying any kind of food product will be invited to assist in the exhibit, and the allied women's clubs will be appealed to give their cooperation and that of their members in making the Pan-Pacific Conservation Exhibit the most destructive show ever offered to Honolulu.

The food conservation exhibit sent by Australia will be shown, as will be the hundreds of jars of Hawaiian preserved fruits the Pan-Pacific Club has gathered during the past year for its commercial museum. The methods of the men and women of the different Pacific races in preserving every kind of fruit and vegetable will be demonstrated, and it is also probable that the fresh fruits and vegetables grown by those who are planning under the direction of the food commission will be shown outside of the Pan-Pacific building.

Cooperation Invited

The different companies that conserve hoes, fruits, dried poi and vegetables will be asked to exhibit their wares, and the process of grinding the algaean leaves for cattle feed will be shown. The "hula" methods of drying fruits will be shown side by side with the latest method of evaporating the water from fruits so that by dipping them in water they again assume almost their pristine freshness and food value.

The women of Honolulu are expected to take a most important part in the exhibit—in fact a committee is being organized that will investigate the methods of each of the races in Honolulu as far as preserving fruit and vegetables is concerned. The chairman of the committee among the ladies is Mrs. L. C. Anderson who has had considerable experience in hula raising and preserving roselle. While in California she has studied many of the methods of preserving and evaporating fruit. She is at work now among the different Pacific nationalities gathering data as to their methods.

Oriental Preserving

Mrs. Francis W. Damon, who was born in Canton, and speaks Chinese as well as English, will assist in getting the Chinese women who understand food conserving to take part in the exhibit. Mrs. Philip Dodge, who spent even years among the Japanese, will assist in getting the Japanese women interested. Miss Helen Alexander, if Lanikane will interest the Hawaiian women and women in preserving exhibits of the food they have learned to conserve, and bread fruit poi should not be the least of these. Mrs. H. B. Campbell born in Petrograd, will gather local exhibits of Russian-made marmalade, and other ladies who are interested in the Pan-Pacific work and speak the languages of the different tribes of the Pacific will assist in securing the cooperation of all nationalities in Honolulu.

Universal Containers

An interesting feature of the exhibit will be the display of containers other than tin and glass in which food may be preserved. There are the sanitary wax paper tumbler, that, filled with jam and covered with a layer of paraffin, keep their contents in perfect shape indefinitely, and there are the containers belonging to the Pan-Pacific Club made of compressed bagasse that will hold any amount of preserved fruit as well as a variety of other food products.

In the very heart of the city the Pan-Pacific building is the spot ideal for an educational exhibit of conserved foods and the newest methods of preserving food stuffs. The entire building can be thrown open so completely that every archway is an entrance, and the grounds without may well be utilized for a demonstration as to how the foods that are conserved are grown.

FORTY THOUSAND JAPANESE TO WORK IN BRAZIL FIELDS

(By The Associated Press)

Kobe, Japan, May 18.—Carrying 1500 Japanese emigrants, besides a big shipment of Japanese merchandise of various kinds, the Waseda Maru, the first steamer of the South American line of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, sailed from Kobe today for Rio de Janeiro, by way of Cape Town.

These emigrants are part of 40,000 Japanese to be sent to Brazil to engage in agricultural work. Contracts for these emigrants have been concluded between the Brazilian government and the Japan South American Emigration Association. Each of the emigrants will receive a subsidy from the Brazilian government.

"How such a term could be used in an argument to prove that the hula was a religious dance of the Hawaiians, and others, which are worse, was a religious dance of the Hawaiians is hard to see, but it is apparently false. I protested against the use of the hula in the carnival attractions year before last, but it was said that it was used because the tourists like it. I think they like it, if they do, only because it is peddled out as the real Hawaiian, and I feel sure that if they could see the real beauty of Hawaii, of which the current hulas are not part, they would like that infinitely better."

"The educational value of such things as Miss Alexander's tableaux are great, not only in traditions and Hawaiian life, but in poetical beauty that can be derived from them."

BILL WOULD STRIP GERMANS OF TITLES

Measure Affects Teuton Noblemen Who Possess English Distinction and Seats in House of Lords

(By The Associated Press)

LONDON, May 17.—The house of lords has received very coldly the "Enemy Princes Bill," which the Lloyd George cabinet has pledged itself to enact, depriving three German princes of their British titles. Viscount James Bryce, former British ambassador to Washington, is one of those opposing the bill.

The bill applies to only three German noblemen, who happen to be possessors of English titles, technically giving them the right to seats in the house of lords. They are the Duke of Cumberland and Albany and Prince Albert of Schleswig-Holstein.

The title of the Duke of Cumberland was awarded by Queen Victoria, in 1861, to the father of the present holder, who is also Duke of Sax-Coburg-Gotha and a reigning prince of a German state. Prince Albert of Schleswig-Holstein is a grandson of Queen Victoria. His title is merely a nominal dignity, and when the present holder's father was born Schleswig-Holstein belonged to Denmark.

Hater of Prussians

The Duke of Cumberland has been an invalid for more than two years and has taken no part in the war. Moreover he is known as a hater of the Prussian government and all its doings. His son was in the German army at the beginning of the war, but after a short time his health broke down and nothing has been heard of him for a long time. The Duke of Albany, however, has been in active service with the German army ever since the war commenced. Prince Albert of Schleswig-Holstein is also an officer in the German army. His brother was killed, fighting for Britain, in the war. His mother lives in England.

The bill as presented to the house of lords does not affect succession to estates or property and can scarcely be held up as a serious punishment to the three princes, none of whom has ever shown the slightest inclination to exercise his right to vote in the English House of Lords. In fact most of the speakers in the house of lords regard the bill as of small importance, although apparently demanded by a considerable body of British public opinion.

The attitude of those opposing the measure was that the cabinet was meddling in the private affairs of the House of Lords, that the bill was a mere sop to the man in the street, and that it might become an annoying and mischievous precedent, especially as nothing of the sort had ever been done in any previous war.

No Crime Attached

Both Lord Finlay and Lord Curzon, in supporting the bill, declared that none of the three princes could properly be charged with treason or any similar crime. "The bill is not of very grave substance," he said. "Hitherto when the state has deprived a peer of his title and dignities, it has been for something in the nature of a crime, as alleged in the nature of a crime is alleged in this case."

Lord Lansdowne declared the bill wrong. "The real object," he said, "is to satisfy a public clamor out of doors. But I feel pretty sure that if we are to satisfy public clamor we shall have to go a good deal farther. There is, for instance, a good deal of disgust at the idea that persons fighting against us should be wearing British colors and decorations of all kinds. There are sixteen German dukes wearing the Order of the Bath."

The government's position in support of the bill was explained by Lord Curzon. "We must remember," he said, "what is the opinion of the man in the street. He cannot see why any man serving with the enemy should retain the titles and dignities of a British peer. He feels it an outrage upon his sentiments of patriotism and nationality."

The bill, after having passed its second reading, was placed in the hands of a special committee, appointed at the suggestion of Lord Bryce, to examine the whole subject and recommend action.

W. R. Butler, sales manager of M. E. Smith & Co., of Omaha, Nebraska, is a visitor here. Mr. Butler is accompanied by his wife and daughter and will visit the Volcano before returning.

COUNCIL OF DEFENSE: ADVISORY COUNCIL

Statement Showing Just What Each Is and Just What Each Is Doing

(By The Associated Press)

In order to clear up the misunderstanding which apparently still exists in some quarters as to the organization and functions of the Council of National Defense, the relations between the council and the Advisory Commission and between the council and the government, W. S. Gifford, director of the council and the advisory commission, today made the following statement:

"The council of national defense was created in an act approved on August 29, 1916. The council consists of the secretaries of war, navy, interior, agriculture, commerce and labor. The chairman of the council is the secretary of war. The purpose for which the council was created is stated in the act as 'The coordination of industries and resources for the national security and welfare.'"

The Advisory Commission

To advise the council in carrying out these duties the law provided that the President appoint an advisory commission, consisting of not more than seven persons, each of whom should have special knowledge of some industry, public utility, or the development of some natural resource, or be otherwise specially qualified, in the opinion of the council, for the performance of the duties which the act enumerated. The law further provided for the employment of a paid director to serve both council and advisory commission.

Work of the Commission

"The act creating the council further stated that the council 'shall provide for the work of the advisory commission to the end that the special knowledge of such commission may be developed by suitable investigation, research and inquiry and made available in conference and report for the use of the council; and the council may organize subordinate bodies for its assistance in special investigations, either by the employment of experts or by the creation of committees of specially qualified persons to serve without compensation, but to direct the investigations of experts so employed.'"

Duties of Council

"As stated by the act, the duties of the council of national defense are as follows: 'To supervise and direct investigations and make recommendations to the President and heads of executive departments as to the location of railroads with reference to the frontier of the United States, so as to render possible expeditions, concentration of troops, and supplies to points of defense; the coordination of military, industrial, and commercial purposes in the location of extensive highways and branch lines of railroad; the utilization of waterways; the mobilization of military and naval resources for defense; the increase of domestic production of the support of armies and of the people during the interruption of foreign commerce; the development of seagoing transportation; data as to amounts, location, method, and means of production and availability of military supplies; the giving of information to producers and manufacturers as to the class of supplies needed by the military and other services of the government; the requirements relating thereto, and the creation of relations which will render possible in time of need the immediate concentration and utilization of the resources of the Nation.'"

ARMY UNIFORM TO REMAIN THE SAME

(By The Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, May 17.—Secretary Baker definitely settled today the question of proposed changes in the army uniform by instructing bureau chiefs that he will not give consideration to any suggested alterations in organization, equipment or uniform of the army that are not vitally important in the successful prosecution of the war.

SPORTS

HORSEMEN ALERT FOR THE RACES; NONE FROM MAUI

Animals Were Expected Yesterday, Did Not Show Up But May Come After All

Things went with a bang at the race track yesterday morning. Long before the first pony was out for the early morning breeze, a good-sized crowd had gathered along the rail, and forecasts as to the results of the big three-day meet scheduled for June 9, 11 and 16, at Kapalani Park, were made freely.

Among the old-timers noticed on the track was Dan Carey of Walluku. Dan said he simply couldn't keep away and had to come down and see what his charge, Denervo, was doing in the harness race. He held the reins behind this well-known animal for three hours and made the first in the slow time of 2:18. He crossed the wire in the second heat without a gain, while the watch ticked 2:15 for the third.

Used To Drive Denervo

Denervo, recently purchased by S. S. Paxson, has been driven by Carey scores of times. He raced the little pacer here in 1912 when he won from Welcome Boy. In 1913, 1914 and 1915 he was behind the horse on the Maui track and won everything up to 1915, when Denervo finished second. He drove again in June, 1916, but on his hand shortly after winning from Welcome Boy and this accident prevented him from driving in September, when Denervo was driven by a man from Schofield.

Another veteran returning to the game and who has been absent from Honolulu for several years is Trainer King Dede, the man who does not know his age. He arrived one day last week at eight o'clock in the morning and by nine was out at the club stable. His last race here was in 1910, when he drove W. H. Rice's Edith L. against C. H. Lucas' Nuviva. He expressed his surprise at the improvements around Kapalani and mentioned somewhat sadly that there were many new faces among the rail-hiders.

How Old Is Dede?

King Dede greeted John O'Rourke and Jerry Broderick with much joy, for he has known them for a long time. He first met Jerry in 1873 when King was trainer for the famous Trotter, Blackbird, one of the most popular horses California has known. Both O'Rourke and Broderick wear that at that time King and passed the fifty mark, but despite his age the old trainer is still able to sit in the sulky and wait his charge. He will be welcomed by men in the horse world for one of his greatest assets has been his fairness, which has done so much to make him popular among followers of the turf. He may be seen on the rail any morning from now on, with one hand over his eyes and the other clutching his antiquated stopwatch, which was one of the first ever manufactured.

Mary Jay, owned by Mrs. Walter Macfarlane and purchased by her on the Coast last year, did far more than breeze last Saturday morning. She made the circuit in the fast time of 1:43 1-2, and not a few of those present questioned the accuracy of the watch.

Mrs. Walter Dillingham's Onetona and Senbolt worked the mile and a one-quarter together, with Donivitz up on Senbolt and Tyler, the jockey recruit from the Coast, on Onetona. They crossed the wire neck-and-neck in 2:14. Bill Boy, owned by Bill Holt of Makaha, and Sinner, owned by C. H. Judd, traveled three heats in 2:28, 2:35 and 2:33. It is rumored that both pacers are being trained for the Hawaiian Road and 2:15 clock. It is also rumored that Teddy Roosevelt, owned by John Colburn III, is being trained for both events.

Unappa, with Donivitz up, galloped three-quarters in 1:18. Oneta, the promising filly by Onetona, out of Kola Girl, and Ravenna, a Royal P. colt, Japanese owned, stopped the half in :54. Tyler was up on Onetona, and the Japanese boy who rode Candy Girl in last year's races was up on Pawnee Boy. This boy is certainly as good a jockey as there is in the island, and it is only a matter of time until he will be recognized as such.

Won't Prevent Races Anyway

Although the Maui string of eight did not arrive yesterday, every assurance has been given that they will come. Even should they not, the meet will not be affected seriously, since there is enough material on hand to provide a good card. Of course, the absence of these horses would be keenly felt, for among them there are some formidable beasts.

Francis B. Will Owen, Luau and Whistling Jeany, owned by Harry Baldwin, all are well-known horses, and the speed of a few is undisputed. Pink Tilburn, Kapalani and Knight of the Ginn, owned by Dr. J. C. Fitzgerald, also have proved their worth. Knight of the Ginn is a full brother of Copra, a fast mare who holds the record for the half, which equals the track record made by Satties last September.

Golden Spray, owned by Yoshida, also was on the track Saturday morning and galloped the mile, with Onetona up, in 1:48. This little horse is by Chap-paque and out of Mercedita, a combination that is of the best. Golden Spray is a full brother to Onetona. A carload of posters, advertising the June meet, was sent around the island yesterday, and there were plastered all along the roadways liberally.

Jonquin Freitas and Miss Georgina Freitas were married a week ago yesterday at the Catholic Church in Kalihi-uka. Rev. Father Edmund Schatz officiating. The witnesses were Mr. and Mrs. George J. Whitworth.

WHITE SOX DOWN SENATORS AGAIN; NEW YORK BEATEN

Intersectional Games In the Two Majors Are Paused: Teams Return Home

The Chicago White Sox remain firmly at the top of the American League. They closed their series yesterday at Chicago, by winning 4 to 1, making it four of five games, one not being played. Boston and St. Louis tied, 1 to 1, in that Boston lost another one-half game to the White Sox. New York finished a bad series with Cleveland, losing yesterday, 3 to 7, making three of five that the Yankees lost, but they still have a good lead over Cleveland for third place. There was no game between Philadelphia and Detroit because of wet grounds.

The first intersectional games now are on. Only one game is scheduled in the American today, New York playing at Philadelphia. Other series between the teams of each of the section will begin tomorrow. Then the Western teams will go East.

Only one game was scheduled in the National yesterday, Chicago at Cincinnati, and it was not played because of wet grounds.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

American League

At St. Louis—Boston 1, St. Louis 1.

At Cleveland—Cleveland 1, New York 3.

At Chicago—Chicago 4, Washington 1.

At Detroit—Philadelphia, no game; wet grounds.

At Cincinnati—Chicago-Cincinnati, no game; wet grounds.

National League

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At Chicago—Chicago 4, Washington 1.

At Detroit—Philadelphia, no game; wet grounds.

At Cincinnati—Chicago-Cincinnati, no game; wet grounds.

COAST LEAGUE

San Francisco won a double-header from Oakland at Oakland yesterday, 6 to 0 and 2 to 1, while the second-place Bees were splitting a double-header with Vernon at Salt Lake, and San Francisco increased its lead. San Francisco won five of seven from the Oaks. Salt Lake and Vernon split the series at three each.

Portland dropped a double-header to Los Angeles at Los Angeles, 7 to 8 and 0 to 7. Portland dropped to fifth place. Los Angeles won four of six from Portland. There will be no games today for the teams traveling.

Yesterday's Results

At Oakland—San Francisco 6, Oakland 0.

At San Francisco—2, Oakland 1.

At Los Angeles—Los Angeles 8, Portland 7.

At Salt Lake—Vernon 6, Salt Lake 5.

At Salt Lake 6, Vernon 2.

G. J. WALLER'S RETURN WELCOMED BY FRIENDS

(By The Associated Press)

A reception was given Gilbert J. Waller Friday evening, at the Saint's church, King Street, by the congregation, in honor of his return, after an absence from Honolulu of nearly a year.

As Mr. Waller entered the church, he was decorated with white leis which had been sent by the Hilo congregation for the occasion.

The rostrum of the church was banked with palms, ferns and other plants, while suspended from the ceiling was a large sign with the word "Welcome" in yellow flowers, on a background of woven fern leaves.

An entertaining program was rendered, after which the heads of the various auxiliaries of the church expressed their appreciation of the past labors of Mr. Waller among them, and their pleasure at his return. Mr. Waller then responded in a feeling manner, after which the audience adjourned to the rear lawn for refreshments.

Miss N. Pearl Littlejohn, Miss Margaret Steven and Miss Cecelia Martin have gone to the Big Island on a visit to the Volcano of Kilauea. They expect to return to Honolulu early in the week.

CHEAPEST RAIL TRAVEL PROVES PROHIBITIVE

By The Christian Science Monitor. Special correspondent in India. CALCUTTA, India.—Each day, new sees India more and more involved in the war. A couple of months ago the railways announced drastic revisions of their time tables, reducing the number of trains in order to economize their equipment and rolling stock. Evidently this measure has not completely realized expectations, for it is understood, says a writer in the Statesman, that, at the instance of the higher authorities, the railway administration are considering the advisability of increasing railway fares to the full maximum allowed under the railway acts. If this drastic measure is decided on, it is the third and intermediate classes which will be mainly affected, as the first and second class passengers are already charged up to the maximum on most lines. The present rate charged to third-class passengers is one pice, or about half a farthing a mile. Even if this be doubled railway traveling in India will still, it is claimed, be the cheapest in the world. Nevertheless, it is calculated that even so low a charge as one farthing per mile will prove prohibitive to hundreds of thousands of would-be third-class passengers.

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